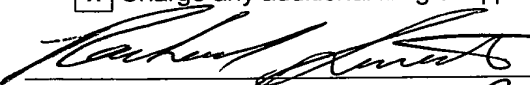
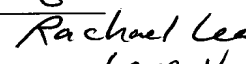




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Applicant(s): Kazunari Tonami et al.					
Invention: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD, IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, IMAGE FORMING METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM					
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 29, 2005 (Paper No. 20051222), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 40 of this paper.

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